**Sermon Handout**

**“The Christmas Story”**

**(A Chronological Prelude to the Coming of Christ)**

**December 22, 2024**

* **Introduction**
* **Significant Events Preluding the Birth of Jesus**
  + **In the Beginning (John 1:1,2)**
  + **The Genealogy of Jesus from Abraham (Matthew 1:1-17)**
  + **The Birth of John the Baptist Foretold (Luke 1:5-25)**
  + **The Angel’s Announecement to Mary (Luke 1:26-38)**
  + **Mary Visits Elizabeth (Luke 1:39-45)**
  + **Mary’s Song (Luke 46-49)**
  + **The Birth of John the Baptist and Zechariah’s Song (Luke 57-80)**
  + **An Angel Appeared to Joseph (Matthew 1:18-25)**
  + **The Roman Census (Luke 2:1-5)**